

Application No. 09/965,697
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REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are pending in this application. Claims 1-4, 6-12, and 14-20 are currently under examination in the present application. Claims 1-4, 9-12, 14 and 15 have been indicated allowable. Claims 16-20 stand been rejected. Claims 5 and 13 have been cancelled as drawn to the non-elected invention. Claims 16-20 have also been cancelled. No new matter has been added. Applicants reserve the right to re-file this subject matter in a continuation or divisional application filed during the pendency of this application.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112(2)

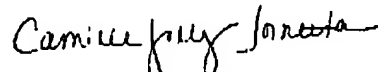
Claims 16-20 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph as indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Claims 16-20 have been cancelled thereby rendering the rejection moot.

Summary

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, and indication of allowability of the remaining claims by the examiner, Applicants submit that this application is in condition for allowance. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of all of the above rejections.

Respectfully submitted,



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